IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Michel BANÂTRE et al

Title: TRANSACTIONAL DEVICE WITH ANTICIPATED PRETREATMENT

Appl. No.: 10/585,973

Appl. Filing Date: 1/14/2005

Examiner: Harish T. Dass

Art Unit: 3695

Confirmation

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Number:

$\frac{\text{REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)}}{\text{TRANSMITTAL}}$

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
 - a. Previously submitted:

[] Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously f	filed on
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[]	Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not considered.				
[]	Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on				
[]	Other				
b. Enclosed are:					
[X]	Amendment/Reply.				
[]	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).				
[]	Information Disclosure Statement.				
[]	Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of listed reference(s).				
[]	Other.				

Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		ra Claims sent	- de combrando de la compresión de la co	Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$810.00	=	\$810.00
Total Claims:	24	-	24	= 0		x	\$52.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	1	-	3	= 0		x	\$220.00	=	\$0.00
First p	resentation o	of any	y Multiple I	Depende	nt Claims:	+	\$390.00		\$0.00
					CLAIMS	FEE	E TOTAL:	-	\$810.00

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[X]	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$130.00	1	\$130.00	
[]	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$490.00		\$0.00	
[]	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,110.00		\$0.00	
[]	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,730.00		\$0.00	
[]	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,350.00		\$0.00	
EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:					
EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: -					
EXTENSION FEE TOTAL					
	\$940.00				
[]	[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):				
[]	[] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)				
TOTAL FEE:				\$940.00	

The above-identified fees of \$940.00 are being paid by credit card via EFS-Web.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment instructions in EFS-Web being incorrect or absent, resulting in a rejected or incorrect credit card transaction, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date

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